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(54) WATER-SOLUBLE THICKENER AND COSMETIC COMPRISING THE SAME

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain a water-soluble thickener exerting an excellent handleability and safety, which does not allow any decrease in the viscosity in a cosmetic preparation of a wide pH range.

SOLUTION: This water-soluble thickener comprises a copolymer obtained by copolymerizing 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid or its salt and hydroxyethyl methacrylate or vinyl pyrrolidone and a crosslinkable monomer, or a copolymer obtained by further neutralizing the above copolymer with an alkaline agent.

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